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National League Ends Annual Session

Schedule of 154 Games Announced, Commencing April
12th and Ending About October 12th—Robert L.
Hedges Leaves for the West to Complete Sale of
the St. Louis American Club.

New York, Dec. 16.—The annual mid-winter meeting of the baseball fraternity came to a close with a banquet in which all the magnates in town joined.

The National League ended its annual session by declaring for a 154-game schedule, commencing April 12, and ending "on or about October 12th."

The heads of committees appointed by the national office will confer with President Johnson on the specific date.

President C. W. Murphy of Chicago wins his point to extend the season to include Columbus and Chicago, both extensively celebrated in Chicago.

President Johnson said the American league would end its season "on about October 12th."

Mr. Hedges, principal owner of the St. Louis Americans, left for the west tonight to complete the deal whereby the syndicate arranged by Hedges, Addams and company of Madison and Milwaukee, E. M. Hodges and Lou Hall, will take over the controlling interest in the club. He will meet there the American league committee consisting of President Dan Johnson, Charles A. Conniskey and Frank J. Farrelly.

When negotiations are over Mr. Hedges will go to Arizona on personal business, and then will visit Europe, expecting to remain for several years in improving his health.

ST. LOUIS CLUB HAS BEEN SOLD.

Contract Signed Transferring Hedges Holdings to Syndicate.

St. Louis, Dec. 16.—Attorneys representing R. L. Hedges, majority owner of the St. Louis American baseball team, and the syndicate he signed a contract transferring Hedges holdings to the syndicate today. The consideration was not named. Monroe Lyon, attorney for Hedges, confirmed that the club had been sold.

The stockholders of the club have been sold. The principal purchasers of the stock are E. M. Hodges, Mark and Nathaniel E. Wing, Louis M. Hall and Edward Prendergast. According to one of the attorneys, Hodges will be the new president of the club.

MORDECAI BROWN EXPLAINS.

Tells Why Big Majority of Pitchers Are Failures with the Stick.

The batting helplessness of pitchers has been remarked. Montreal Brown, the great three-fingered hurler of the Cubs, has been a rich joke for thirty years, as long as the old game has played. Why are pitchers so feeble with the stick? Why are they lemons with the bat?

The reasons outside the game would think that pitchers should be the best batsmen in the world. They know all about the tricks of throwing the ball.

They should know just what is pitched, and

therefore, being educated as well as pitchers, they ought to be exceptionally good hitters.

But as a rule they are mere amateurs, punks with the stick, and are getting nothing instead of pettiness as the years go by.

The reasons for the weak hitting of pitchers are numerous; in numbers, in fact, any one of them would be a better pitcher than the great majority of the pitchers.

The reasons for the poor hitting of pitchers are

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